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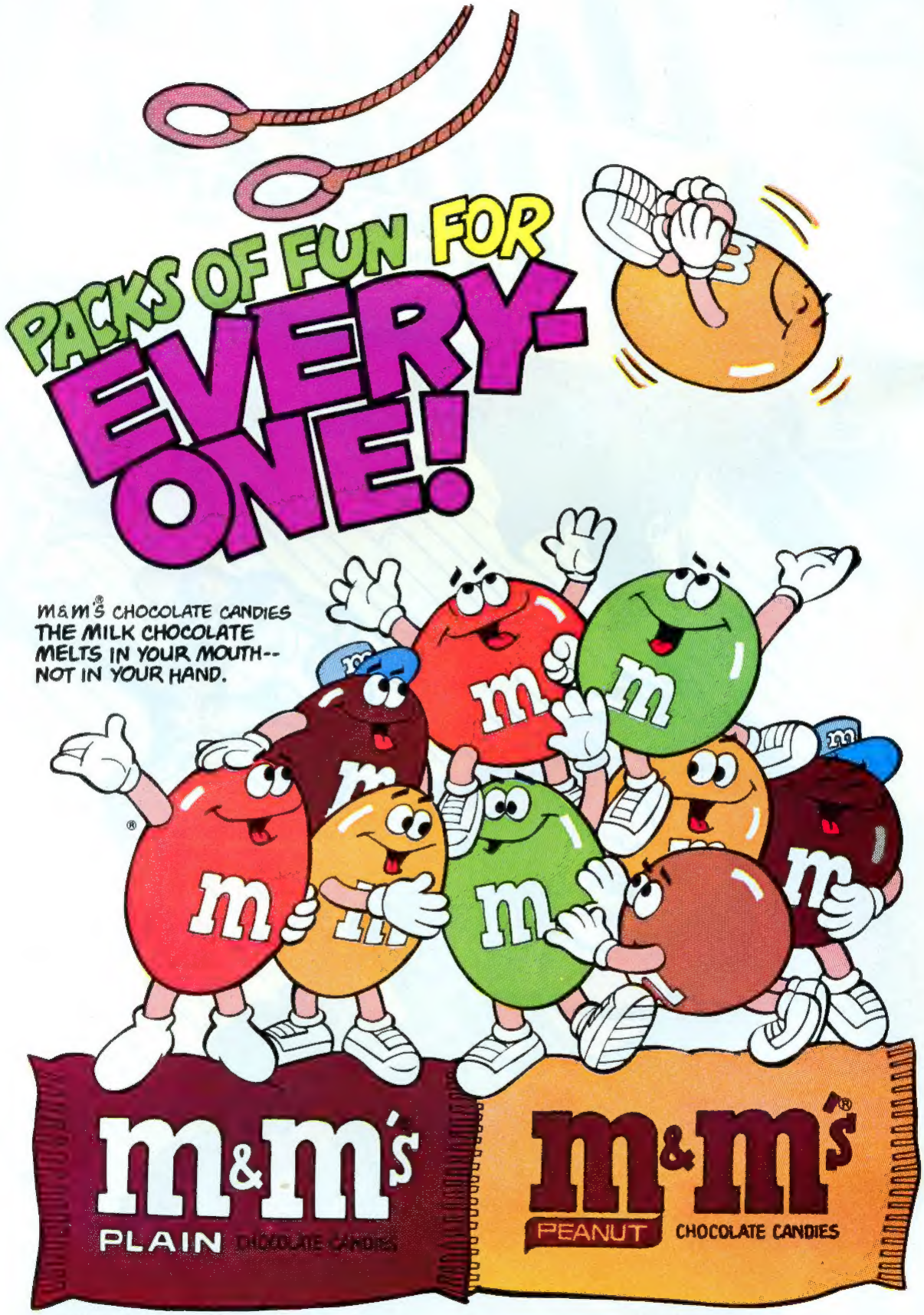

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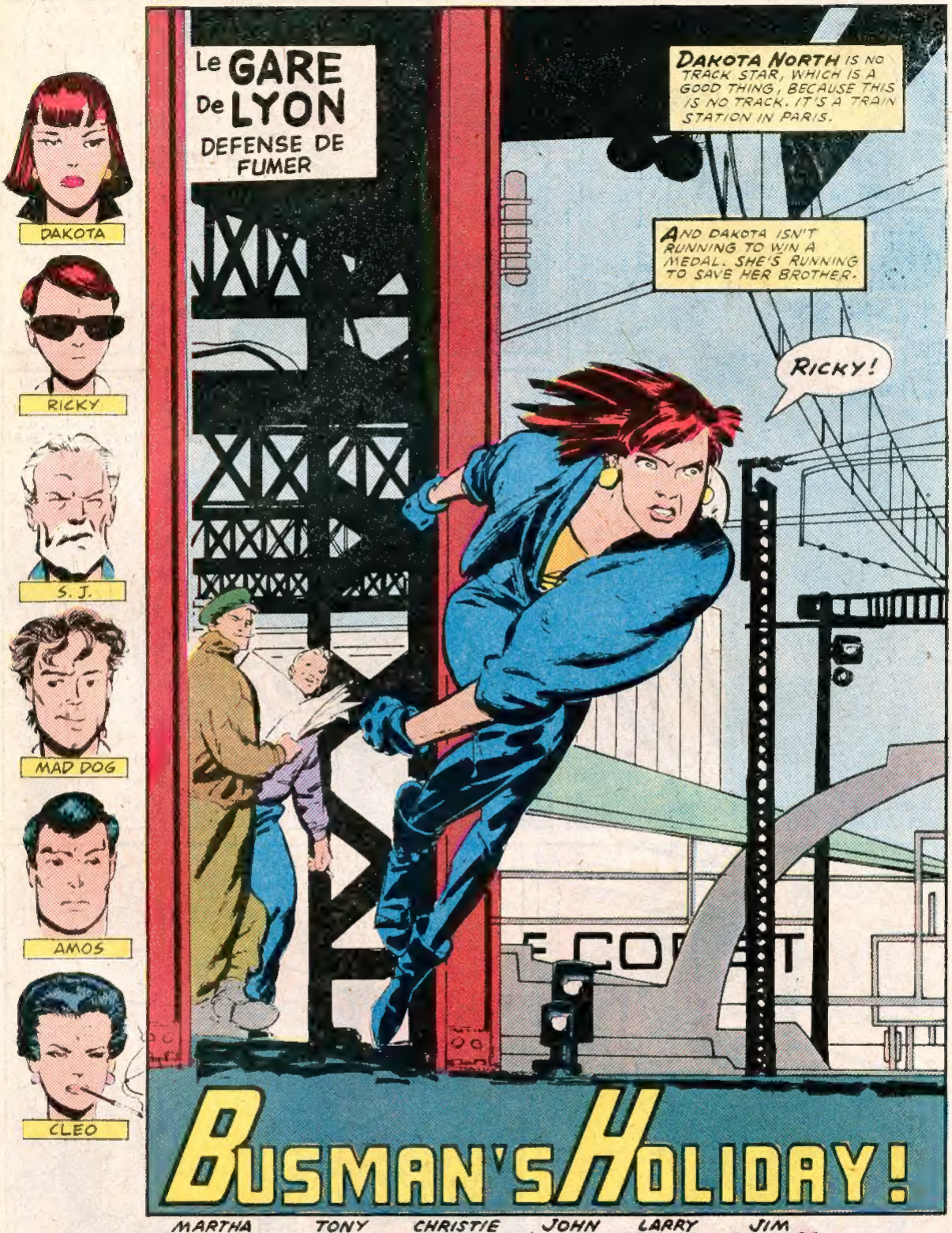
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RICKY
S. J.
MAD DOG
AMOS
CLEO
Le GARE De LYON
DEFENSE DE FUMER
DAKOTA NORTH IS NO TRACK STAR, WHICH IS A GOOD THING, BECAUSE THIS IS NO TRACK. IT'S A TRAIN STATION IN PARIS.
AND DAKOTA ISN'T RUNNING TO WIN A MEDAL. SHE'S RUNNING TO SAVE HER BROTHER.
RICKY!
BUSMAN'S HOLIDAY!

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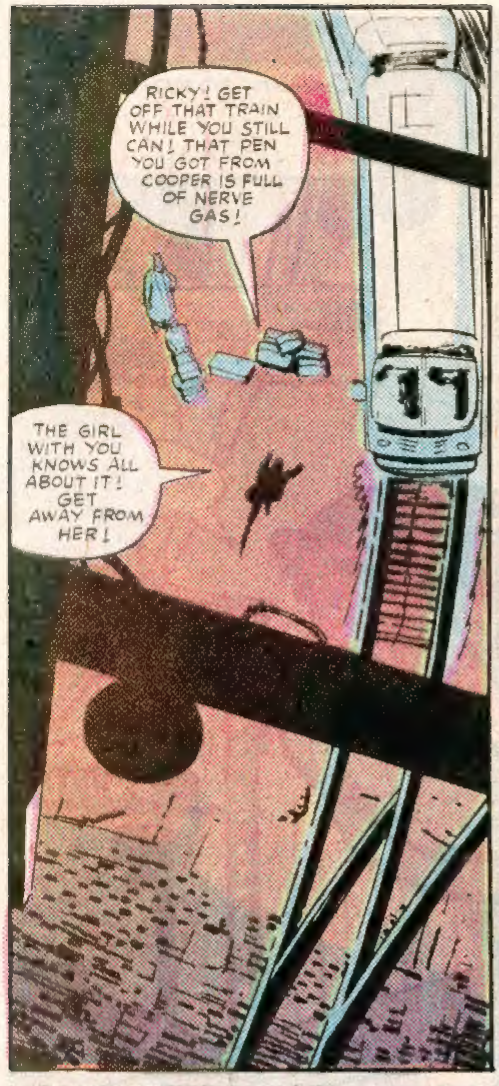
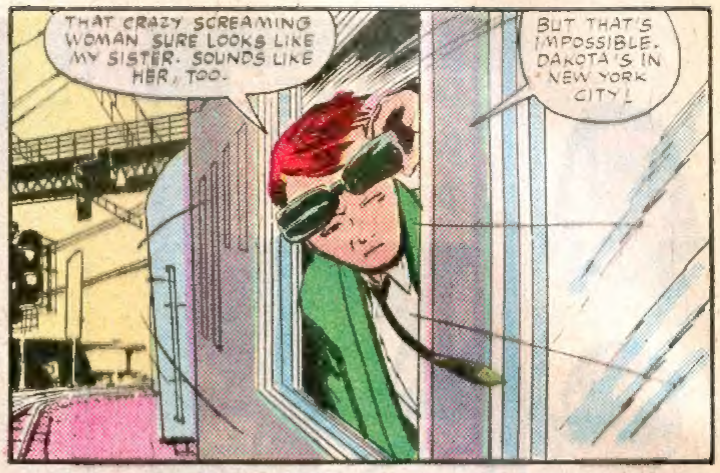
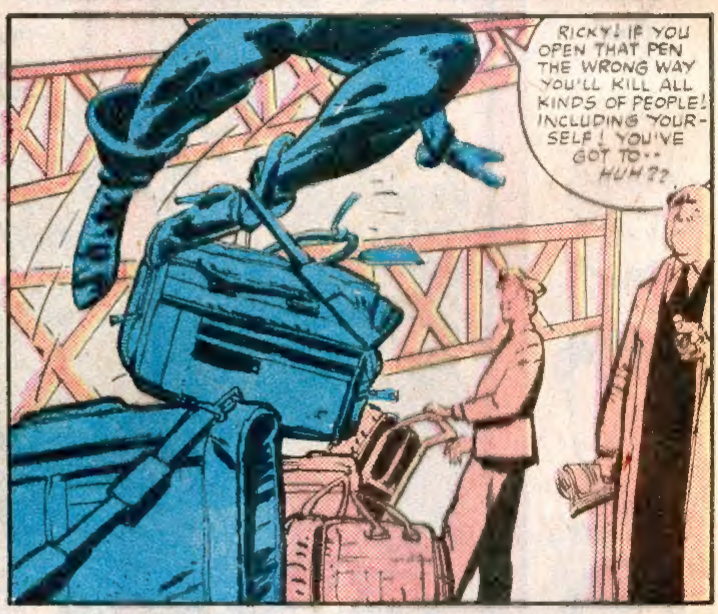
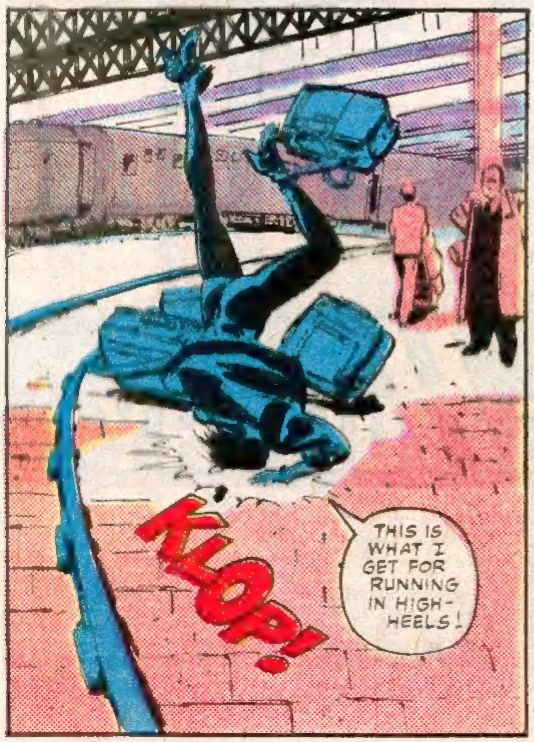
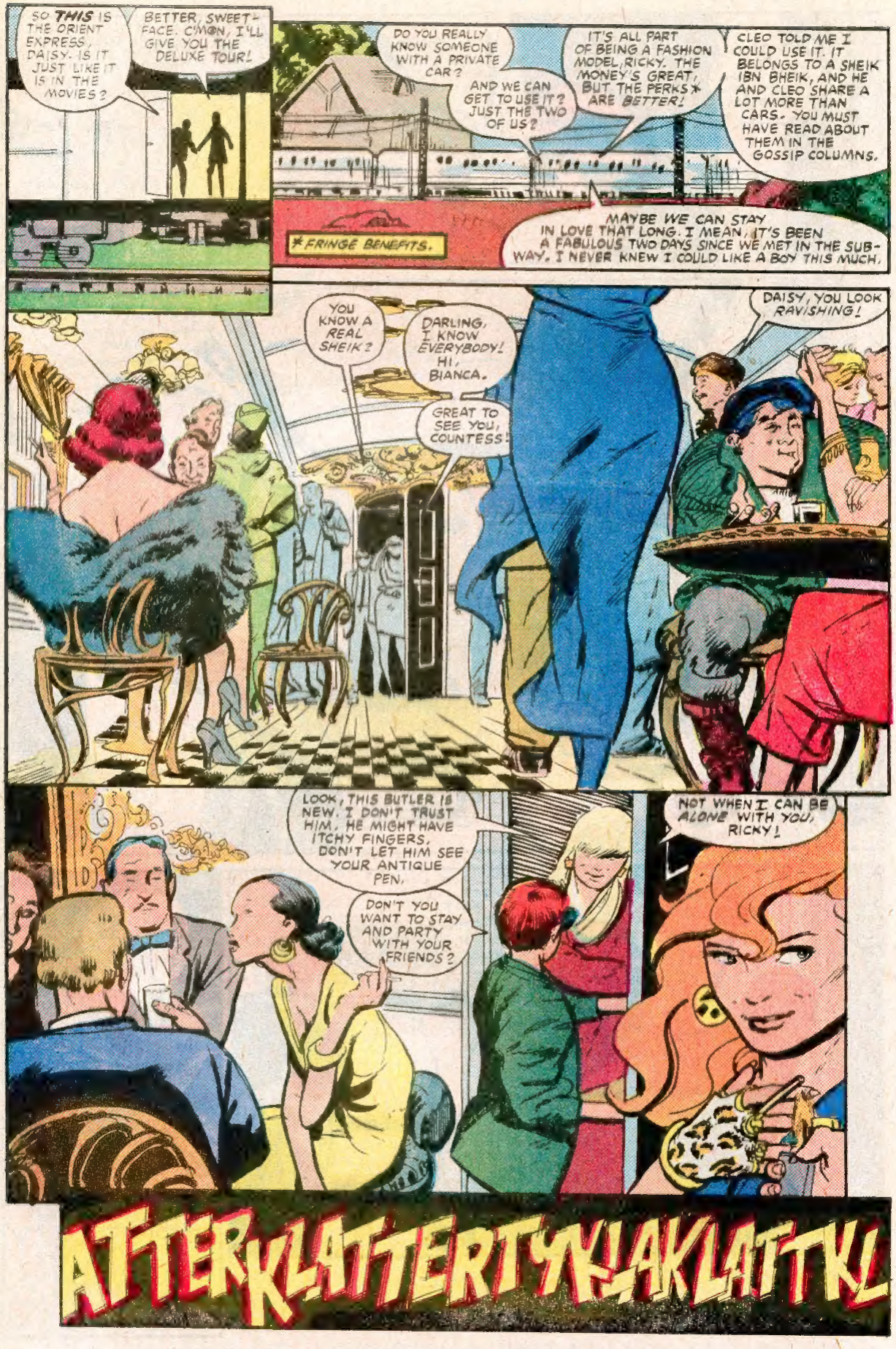

RICKY! GET OFF THAT TRAIN WHILE YOU STILL CAN! THAT PEN YOU GOT FROM COOPER IS FULL OF NERVE GAS!
THE GIRL WITH YOU KNOWS ALL ABOUT IT! GET AWAY FROM HER!

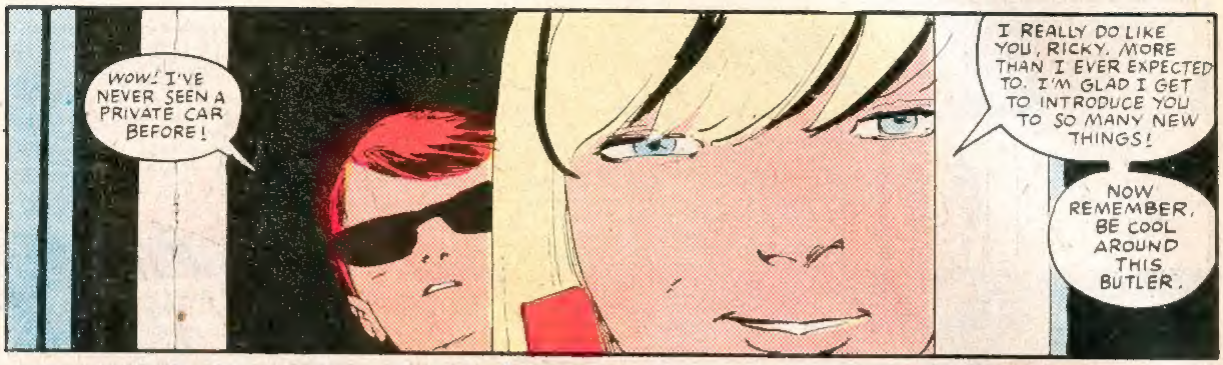

THAT CRAZY SCREAMING WOMAN SURE LOOKS LIKE MY SISTER. SOUNDS LIKE HER, TOO.
BUT THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. DAKOTA'S IN NEW YORK CITY!

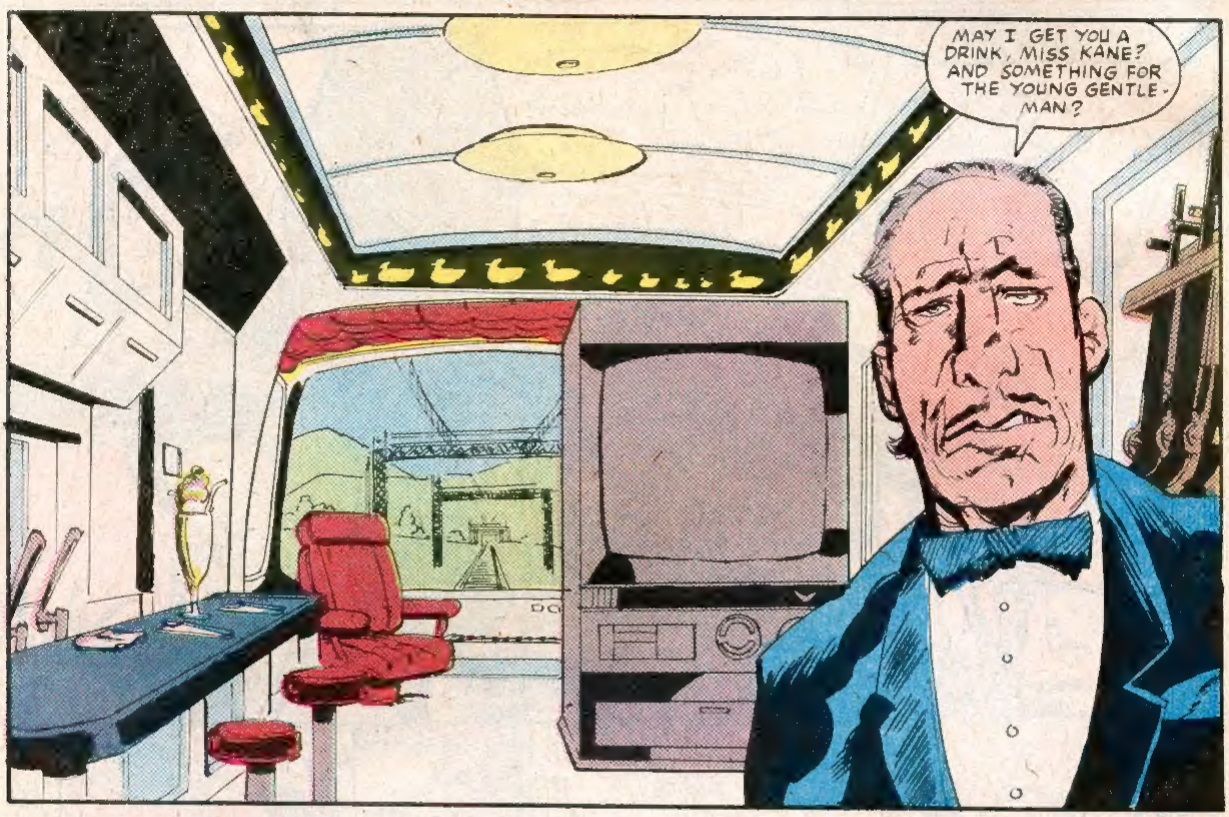

RICKY! IF YOU OPEN THAT PEN THE WRONG WAY YOU'LL KILL ALL KINDS OF PEOPLE! INCLUDING YOURSELF! YOU'VE GOT TO.. HUH??

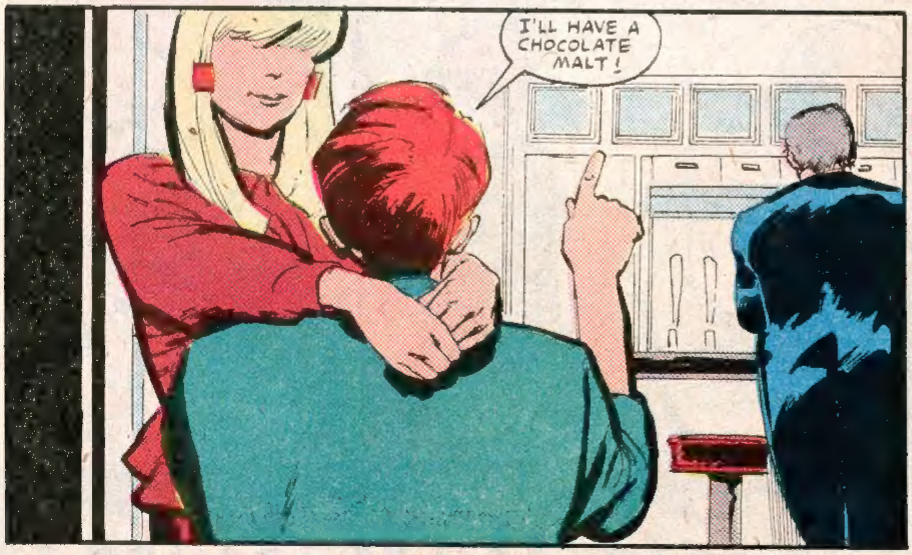

KLOP!
THIS IS WHAT I GET FOR RUNNING IN HIGH-HEELS!

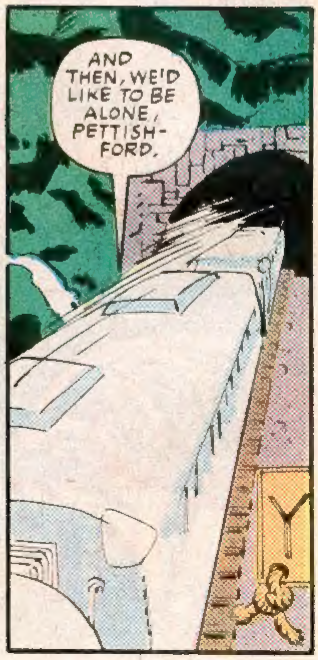
WHY DO I LET MY FATHER INVOLVE ME AND RICKY WITH HIS CRAZY SPY FRIENDS?? IT'S BAD ENOUGH HE USED TO WORK WITH THEM WITHOUT DRAGGING US ALONG!
I'M BILLING HIM FOR THIS WASTE OF MY TIME WHEN I GET HOME! THEN MAYBE HE'LL ACT LIKE MY TIME IS WORTH SOMETHING!

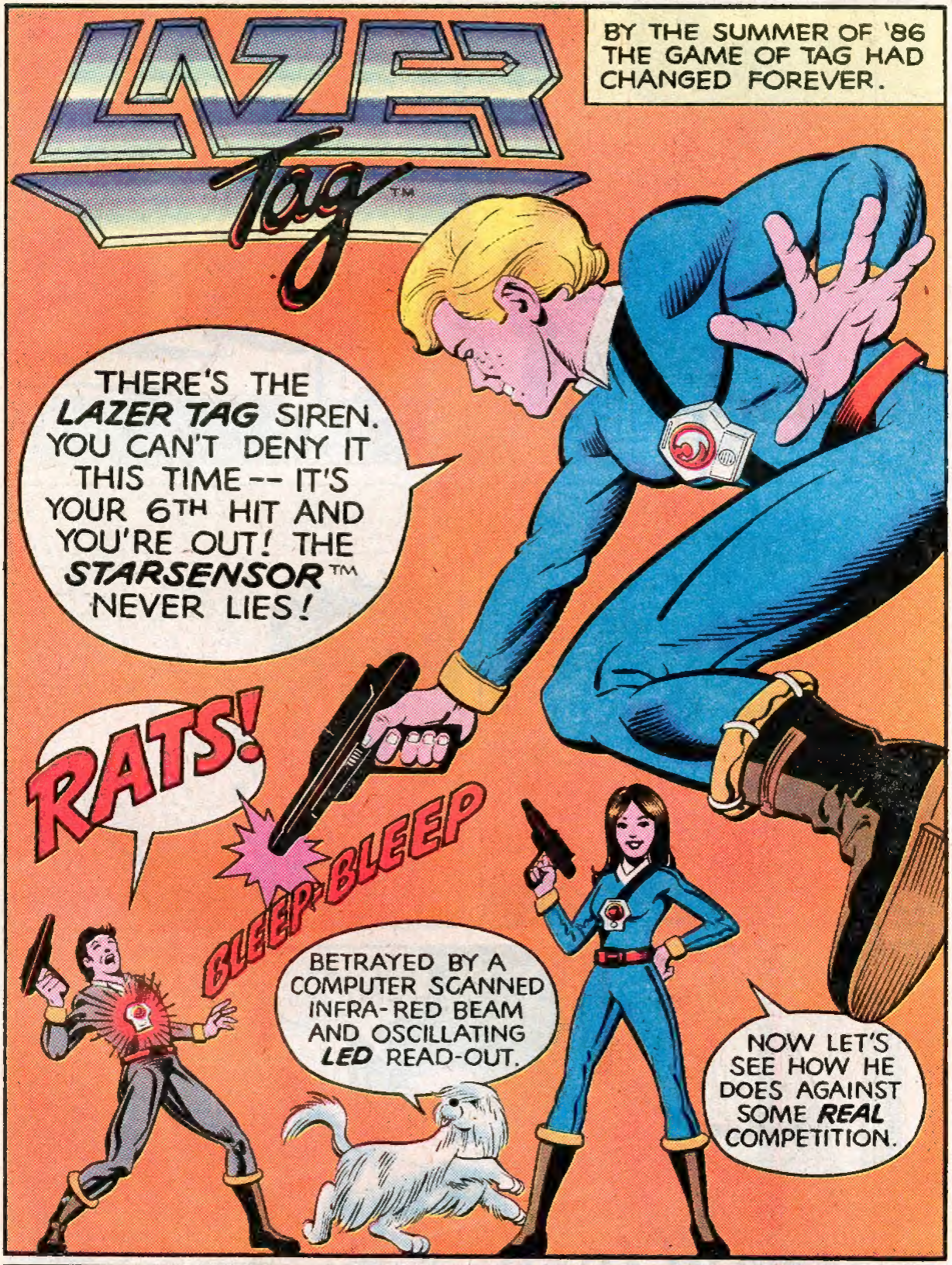

SO THIS IS THE ORIENT EXPRESS, DAISY. IS IT JUST LIKE IT IS IN THE MOVIES?
BETTER, SWEET-FACE. C'MON, I'LL GIVE YOU THE DELUXE TOUR!
DO YOU REALLY KNOW SOMEONE WITH A PRIVATE CAR?
AND WE CAN GET TO USE IT? JUST THE TWO OF US?
IT'S ALL PART OF BEING A FASHION MODEL, RICKY. THE MONEY'S GREAT, BUT THE PERKS* ARE BETTER!
CLEO TOLD ME I COULD USE IT. IT BELONGS TO A SHEIK IBN BHEIK, AND HE AND CLEO SHARE A LOT MORE THAN CARS. YOU MUST HAVE READ ABOUT THEM IN THE GOSSIP COLUMNS.
*FRINGE BENEFITS.
MAYBE WE CAN STAY IN LOVE THAT LONG. I MEAN, IT'S BEEN A FABULOUS TWO DAYS SINCE WE MET IN THE SUBWAY. I NEVER KNEW I COULD LIKE A BOY THIS MUCH.
YOU KNOW A REAL SHEIK?
DARLING, I KNOW EVERYBODY! HI, BIANCA.
GREAT TO SEE YOU, COUNTESS!
DAISY, YOU LOOK RAVISHING!
LOOK, THIS BUTLER IS NEW. I DON'T TRUST HIM. HE MIGHT HAVE ITCHY FINGERS. DON'T LET HIM SEE YOUR ANTIQUE PEN.
DON'T YOU WANT TO STAY AND PARTY WITH YOUR FRIENDS?
NOT WHEN I CAN BE ALONE WITH YOU, RICKY!
ATTERKLATTERTYKLAKLATTKL


WOW! I'VE NEVER SEEN A PRIVATE CAR BEFORE!
I REALLY DO LIKE YOU, RICKY. MORE THAN I EVER EXPECTED TO. I'M GLAD I GET TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SO MANY NEW THINGS!
NOW REMEMBER, BE COOL AROUND THIS BUTLER.


MAY I GET YOU A DRINK, MISS KANE? AND SOMETHING FOR THE YOUNG GENTLE-MAN?


I'LL HAVE A CHOCOLATE MALT!


AND THEN, WE'D LIKE TO BE ALONE, PETTISH-FORD.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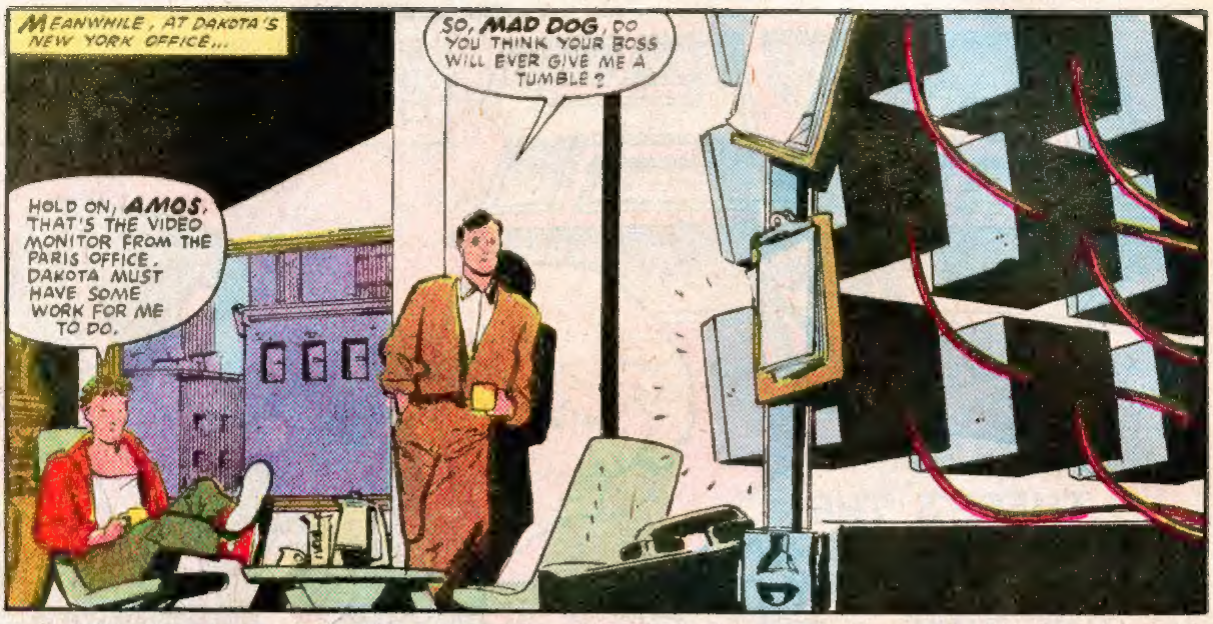
MEANWHILE, AT DAKOTA'S NEW YORK OFFICE...
SO, MAD DOG, DO YOU THINK YOUR BOSS WILL EVER GIVE ME A TUMBLE?
HOLD ON, AMOS. THAT'S THE VIDEO MONITOR FROM THE PARIS OFFICE. DAKOTA MUST HAVE SOME WORK FOR ME TO DO.

HIYA, DAKOTA! WHAT'S SHAKIN?
THAT HIRED THUG TOLD ME CLEO VANDERLIP WAS PAYING HIM TO KILL ME. I WANT YOU TO FIND OUT EVERYTHING YOU CAN ABOUT HER.
I'LL BE IN VENICE WHEN RICKY'S TRAIN MAKES ITS FIRST STOP. I'LL CALL WHEN I'VE GOT HIM.

SORRY SHE HUNG UP BEFORE YOU COULD TALK, MR. POLICEMAN, SIR.
I COULDN'T HEAR WHAT SHE SAID, BUT SHE LOOKED TERRIBLE! I'VE NEVER SEEN DAKOTA WITH HER HAIR OUT OF PLACE!
I HEAR THOSE GEARS TURNING, AMOS. I SENSE A PLAN FORMING. GO FOR IT, BIG GUY!
MAYBE THIS IS MY CHANCE! MAYBE SHE NEEDS ME NOW!
IT'S WORTH A SHOT!

I'VE GOT VACATION TIME COMING!
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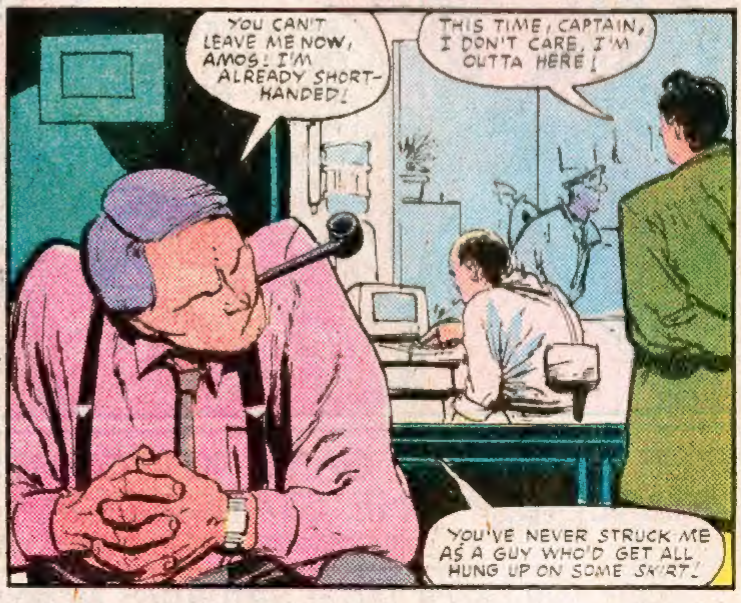
YOU CAN'T LEAVE ME NOW, AMOS! I'M ALREADY SHORT-HANDED!
THIS TIME, CAPTAIN, I DON'T CARE, I'M OUTTA HERE!
YOU'VE NEVER STRUCK ME AS A GUY WHO'D GET ALL HUNG UP ON SOME SKIRT!

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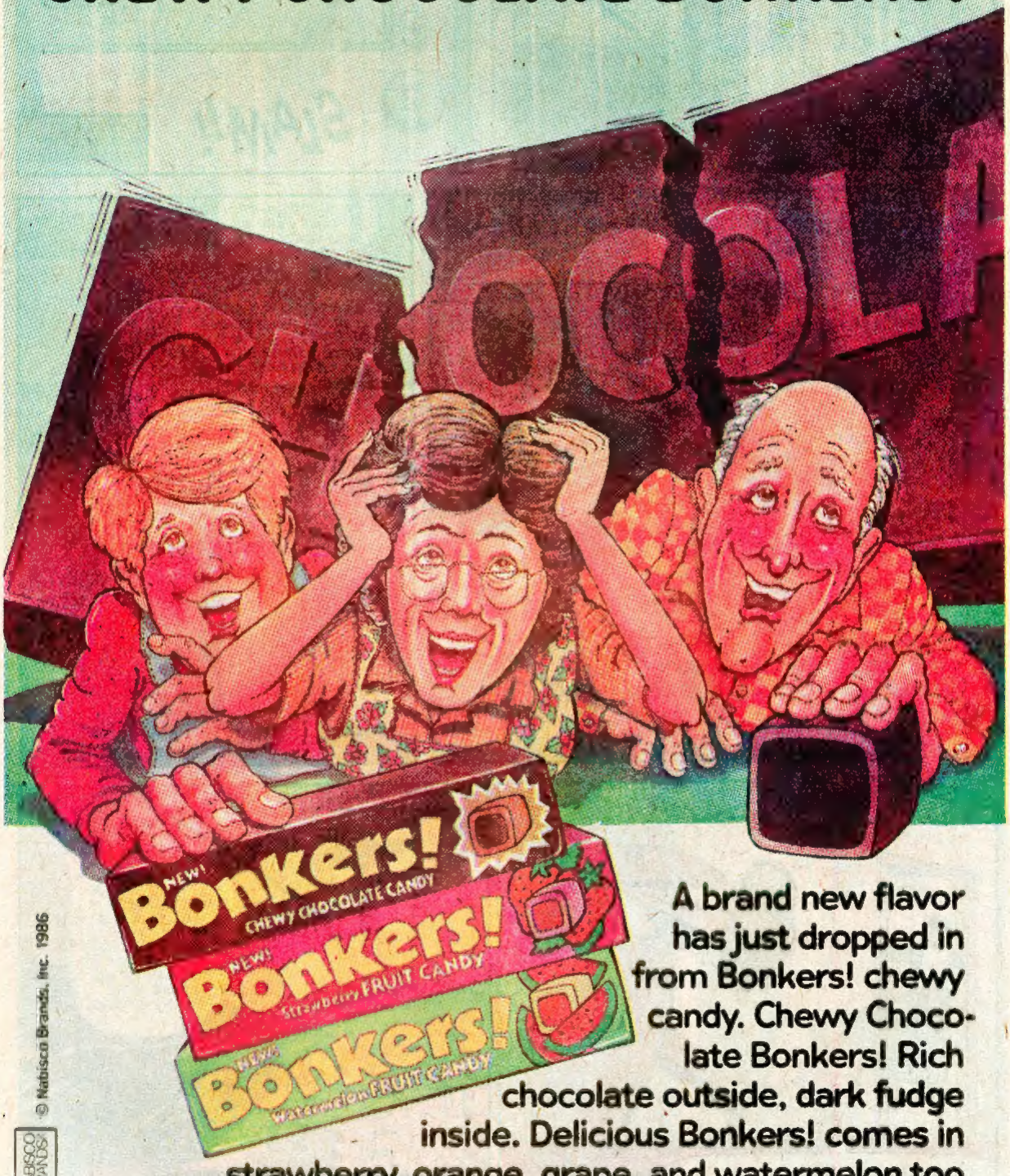

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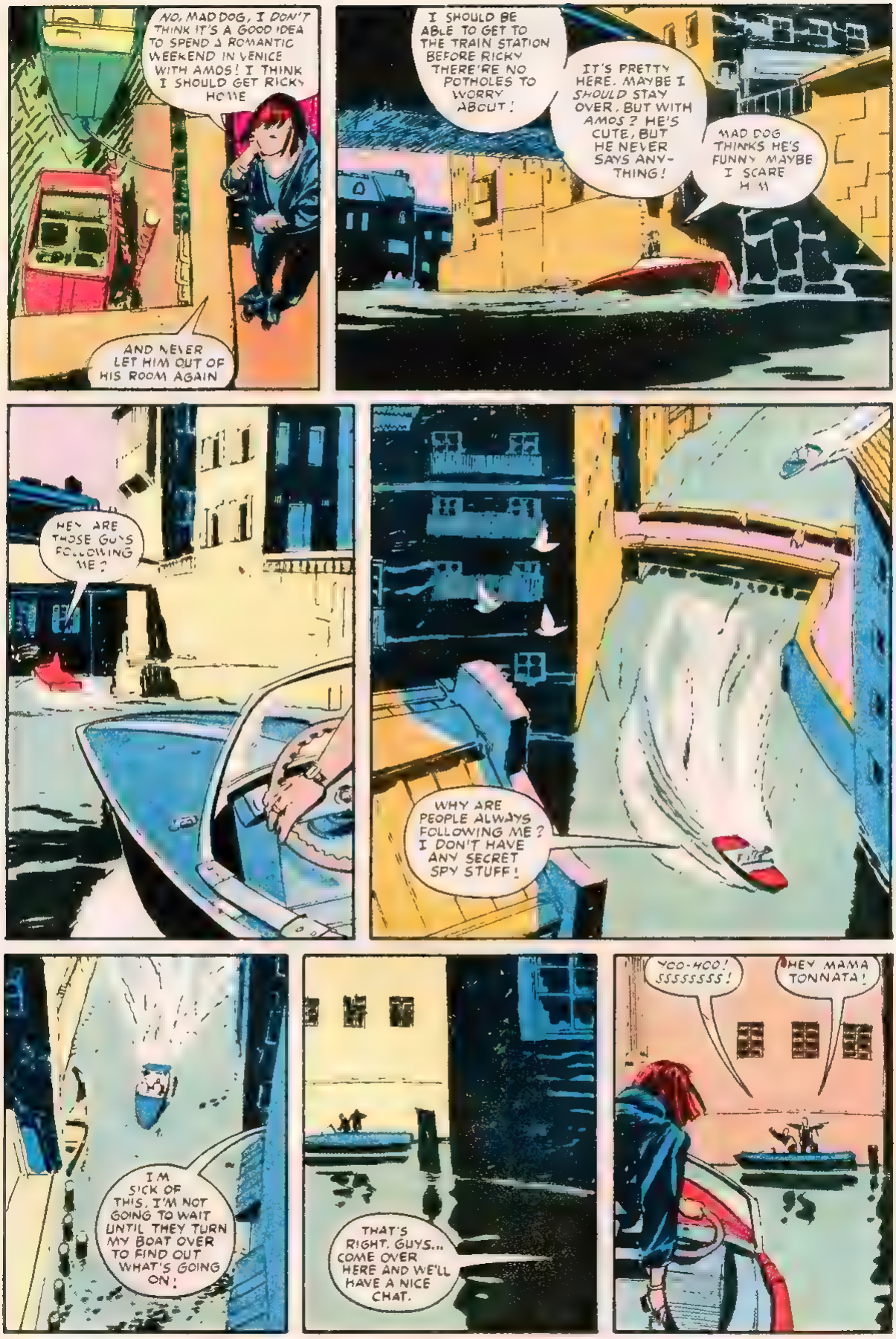
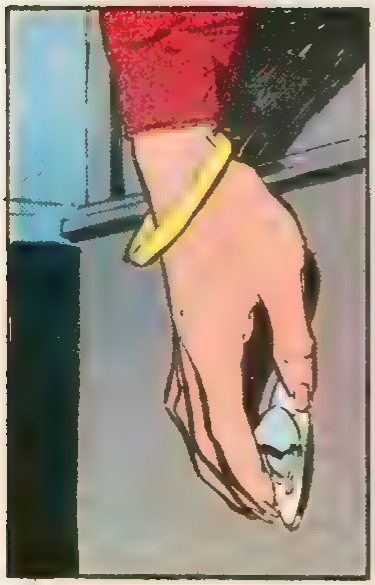
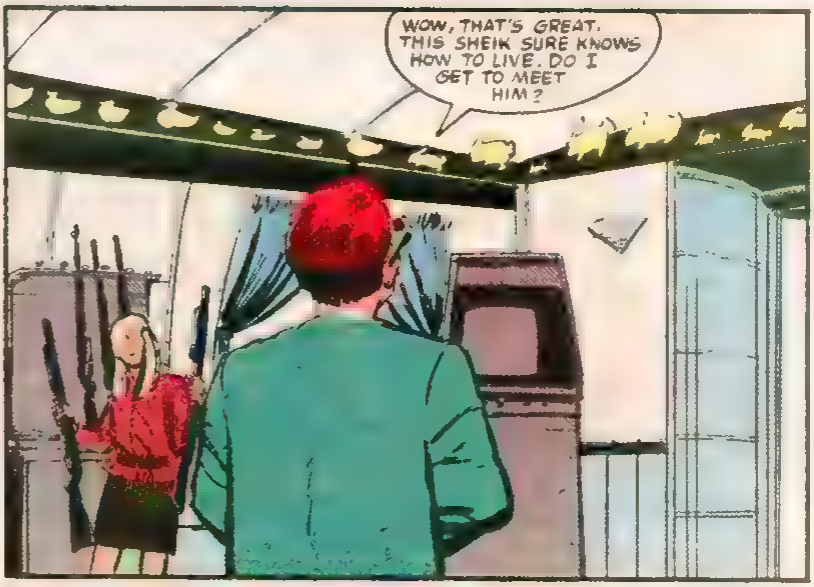
YOU THINK BECAUSE I DON'T HAVE HER FRAMED PICTURE ON MY DESK THAT I'M MADE OF ICE. GREAT IMAGINATION, CAPTAIN. NOW OUT OF MY WAY.
I'VE GOT A PLANE TO CATCH.
IF YOU GO, AMOS, YOU'LL BE HAULING WINOS IN FROM THE BOWERY WHEN YOU GET BACK!
TAKE IT UP WITH THE P.B.A.*, CAPTAIN. I'LL SEND YOU A POSTCARD!
SLAM!!
*POLICE BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION.
KEEP YOUR PAWS CROSSED, FURILLO. THIS IS MY BIG CHANCE TO SHOW DAKOTA WHAT KIND OF A MAN I AM.
THAT'S IT, KITTY. I'M ALL PACKED. THE PLANE LEAVES IN AN HOUR. I JUST HAVE TO ASK MRS. ROSSI TO KEEP YOU IN KIBBLE WHILE I'M GONE.
I'D BE DELIGHTED TO TAKE CARE OF YOUR CAT, AMOS DARLING.
WHO ARE YOU?
CLEO VANDERLIP, DARLING. A DEAR, DEAR FRIEND OF DAKOTA'S. YOU MUST HAVE HEARD HER MENTION ME.
YEAH, I GUESS IT SOUNDS FAMILIAR.
THANKS, LADY. I OWE YOU.
YES YOU DO, DARLING. AND YOU'LL PAY. YOU AND DAKOTA BOTH. NOW COME, KITTY, WE HAVE PLANS TO MAKE.
LATER, IN VENICE...
MAD DOG, ARE YOU NUTS?! HOW COULD YOU LET AMOS RISK HIS JOB TO COME HERE? I'LL HAVE RICKY AND BE ON MY WAY HOME BEFORE HIS PLANE LANDS!


NO, MAD DOG, I DON'T THINK IT'S A GOOD IDEA TO SPEND A ROMANTIC WEEKEND IN VENICE WITH AMOS! I THINK I SHOULD GET RICKY HOME
AND NEVER LET HIM OUT OF HIS ROOM AGAIN
I SHOULD BE ABLE TO GET TO THE TRAIN STATION BEFORE RICKY THERE'RE NO POTHOLES TO WORRY ABOUT!
IT'S PRETTY HERE. MAYBE I SHOULD STAY OVER. BUT WITH AMOS? HE'S CUTE, BUT HE NEVER SAYS ANY-THING!
MAD DOG THINKS HE'S FUNNY MAYBE I SCARE H M
HEY ARE THOSE GUYS FOLLOWING ME?
WHY ARE PEOPLE ALWAYS FOLLOWING ME? I DON'T HAVE ANY SECRET SPY STUFF!
I'M SICK OF THIS. I'M NOT GOING TO WAIT UNTIL THEY TURN MY BOAT OVER TO FIND OUT WHAT'S GOING ON!
THAT'S RIGHT, GUYS... COME OVER HERE AND WE'LL HAVE A NICE CHAT.
YOO-HOO! SSSSSSSS!
HEY MAMA TONNATA!

MEN ARE THE SAME MACHO JERKS EVERY-WHERE YOU GO. THIS WILL COOL YOU GUYS DOWN.
SORRY I CAN'T STAY GUYS. IT'S BEEN SWELL FUN. BUT I HAVE A TRAIN TO MEET!
LATER, AT THE TRAIN STATION..
I'VE BEEN HERE SINCE THE TRAIN PULLED IN. I'VE SEEN PASSENGERS, SUITCASES, CONDUCTORS YOU NAME IT!
BUT NO RICKY. WHERE CAN HE BE?
THIS IS THE FIRST STOP ON THE ORIENT EXPRESS. THERE'S NO PLACE ELSE HE COULD GET OFF.
THIS IS WHAT DAKOTA COULD NOT SEE FROM THE STATION...
KBUMP
IS THIS YOUR FIRST TRIP TO EUROPE, RICKY? I HOPE I CAN BE THE FIRST TO SHOW YOU AROUND!
NO I'VE BEEN HERE A LOT WITH MY OLD MAN. DAD'S BUSINESS TAKES HIM ALL OVER THE WORLD HE USED TO TAKE ME
HEY. THIS DOESN'T LOOK LIKE THE VENICE DAD TOOK ME TO.
NO SEE WE'RE NOT THERE YET. LUXURY TRAINS TAKE THE SCENIC ROUTE!

IT'S NOT FAR UNTIL WE GET WHERE WE'RE GOING. WANT TO HAVE SOME FUN?
CHECK, PLEASE




WOW, THAT'S GREAT. THIS SHEIK SURE KNOWS HOW TO LIVE. DO I GET TO MEET HIM?

CLEO WANTS US TO BUT I'M GOING TO TRY TO GET OUT OF IT. I THINK I WANT YOU ALL TO MYSELF.
WON'T SHE GET MAD? SHE IS YOUR BOSS
LET HER GET MAD. I DON'T THINK I WANT TO SHARE YOU WITH HER OR HER STUPID FRIENDS.

IN VENICE, AT DAKOTA'S PENSIONE*...
I WALKED THROUGH THE ENTIRE TRAIN. I LOOKED IN ALL THE LAVATORIES. MAYBE I SHOULD'VE RIPPED UP THE FLOOR.
I'M SUCH A FAILURE DAD IS NEVER GOING TO LET ME HEAR THE END OF THIS. AT LEAST HE'D KNOW WHAT TO DO NEXT. RICKY COULD BE ANY-WHERE. OR NOWHERE.
*EUROPEAN BOARDING HOUSE.

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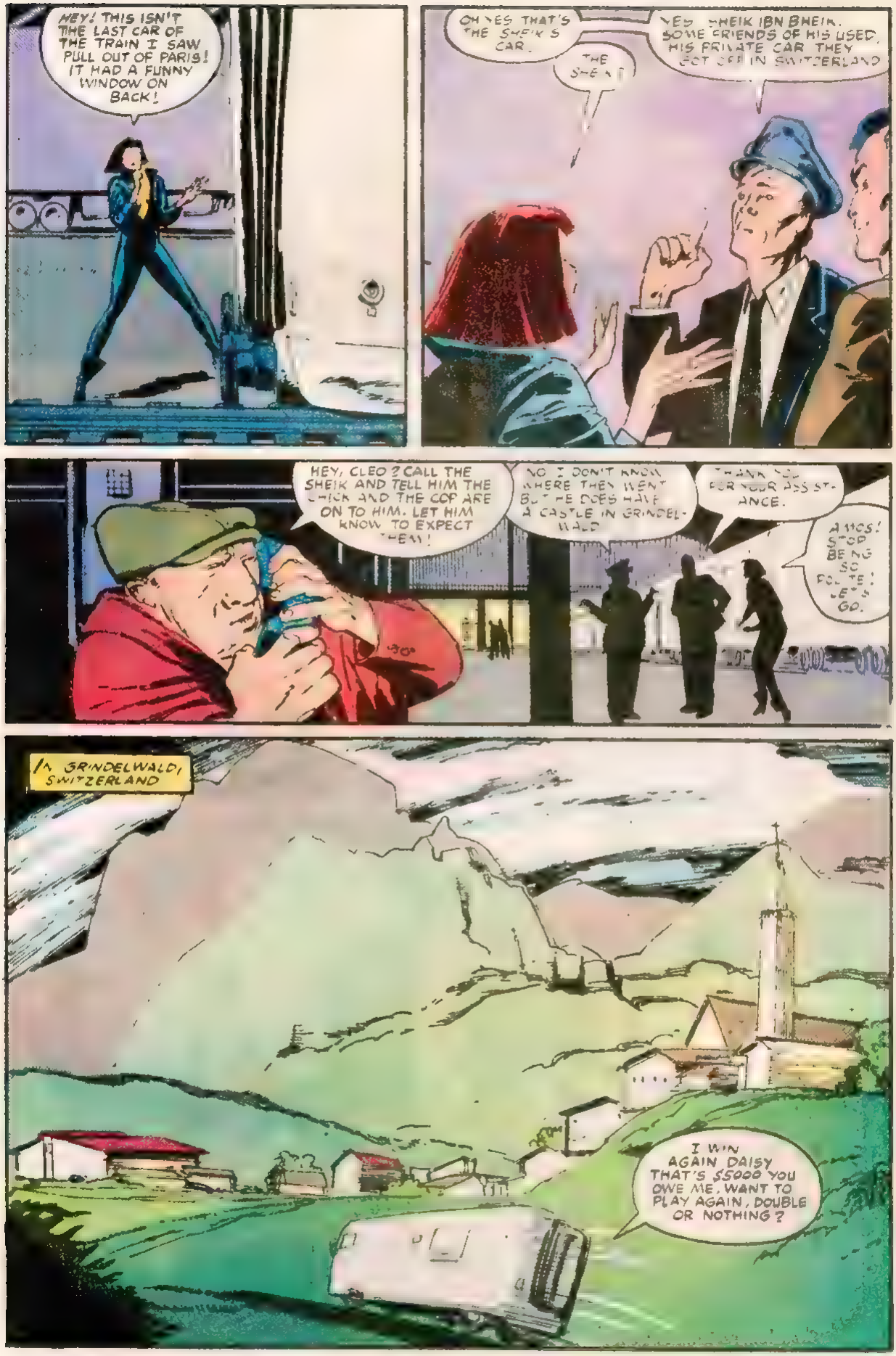
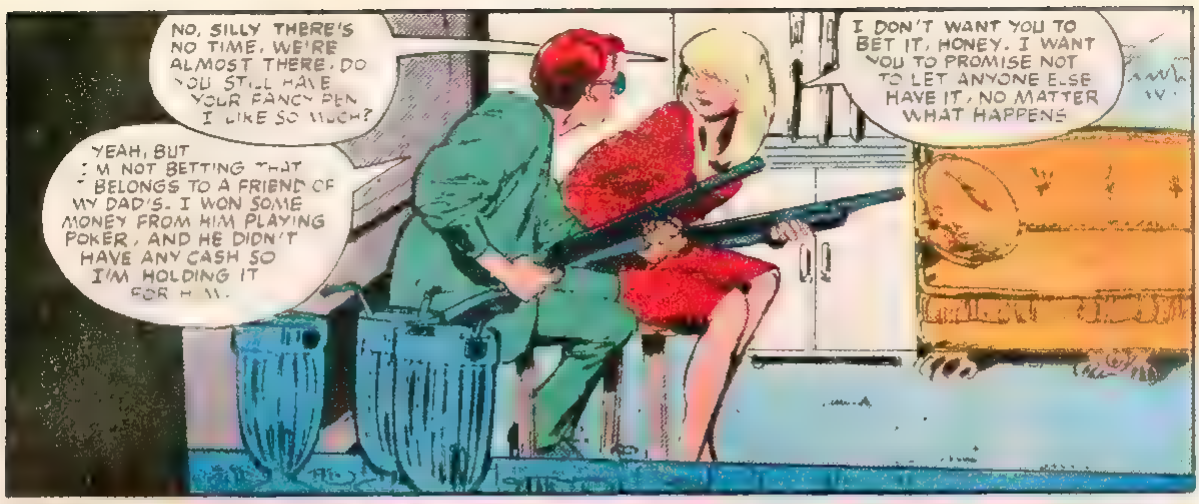
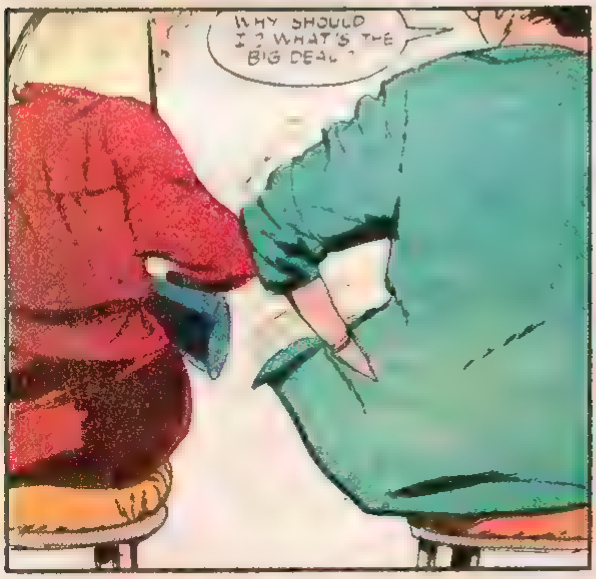
LATER...
MAD DOG SAID SHE ALWAYS STAYS HERE WHEN SHE IS IN VENICE. S.J. KNOWS THE OWNERS FROM WORLD WAR II, SO DAKOTA GETS TREATED LIKE FAMILY.
IT MUST BE GREAT TO HAVE CONNECTIONS. MY OLD MAN CAN BARELY MAKE A RESERVATION AT THE HOLIDAY INN.
AMOS! YOU MADE IT!
I'VE NEVER BEEN SO HAPPY TO SEE ANYBODY IN MY ENTIRE LIFE!
RICKY WASN'T ON THE TRAIN WHEN IT ARRIVED. BUT I SAW HIM GET ON IN PARIS! I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO!
YOU'RE IN LUCK LADY. THE CITIZENS OF NEW YORK PAY ME TO PERFORM EXACTLY THIS KIND OF SERVICE. I FIND RUNAWAYS EVERY WEEK OF THE YEAR.
BACK AT THE TRAIN STATION
HE'S ABOUT SO HIGH, WEARING SUNGLASSES.
I THINK HE HAD A SKINNY TIE, TOO. THIS IS SO BORING, AMOS. NO ONE TELLS US ANYTHING.

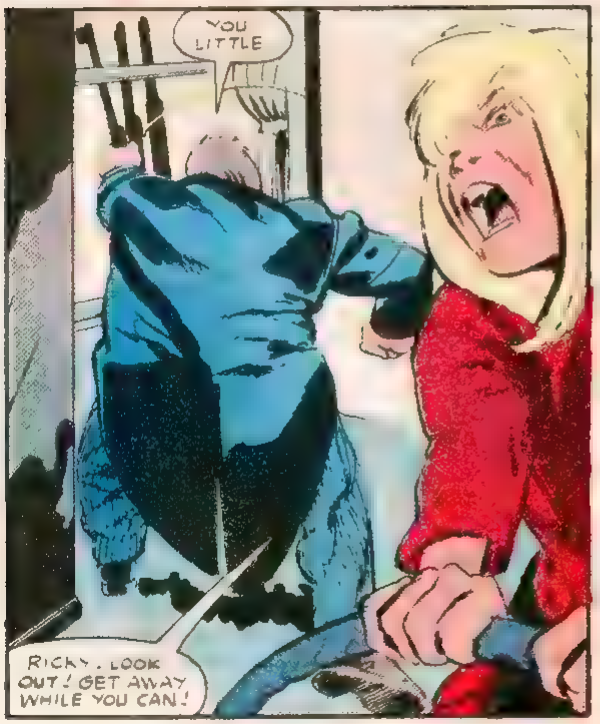

HEY! THIS ISN'T THE LAST CAR OF THE TRAIN I SAW PULL OUT OF PARIS! IT HAD A FUNNY WINDOW ON BACK!
OH YES THAT'S THE SHEIK'S CAR.
THE SHEIK
YES SHEIK IBN BHEIK. SOME FRIENDS OF HIS USED HIS PRIVATE CAR THEY GOT OFF IN SWITZERLAND
HEY, CLEO? CALL THE SHEIK AND TELL HIM THE CHICK AND THE COP ARE ON TO HIM. LET HIM KNOW TO EXPECT THEM!
NO I DON'T KNOW WHERE THEY WENT BUT HE DOES HAVE A CASTLE IN GRINDELWALD
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.
AMOS! STOP BEING SO POLITE! LET'S GO.
IN GRINDELWALD, SWITZERLAND
I WIN AGAIN DAISY THAT'S $5000 YOU OWE ME. WANT TO PLAY AGAIN, DOUBLE OR NOTHING?


NO, SILLY THERE'S NO TIME. WE'RE ALMOST THERE. DO YOU STILL HAVE YOUR FANCY PEN I LIKE SO MUCH?
YEAH, BUT I'M NOT BETTING THAT IT BELONGS TO A FRIEND OF MY DAD'S. I WON SOME MONEY FROM HIM PLAYING POKER, AND HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY CASH SO I'M HOLDING IT FOR HIM.
I DON'T WANT YOU TO BET IT, HONEY. I WANT YOU TO PROMISE NOT TO LET ANYONE ELSE HAVE IT, NO MATTER WHAT HAPPENS

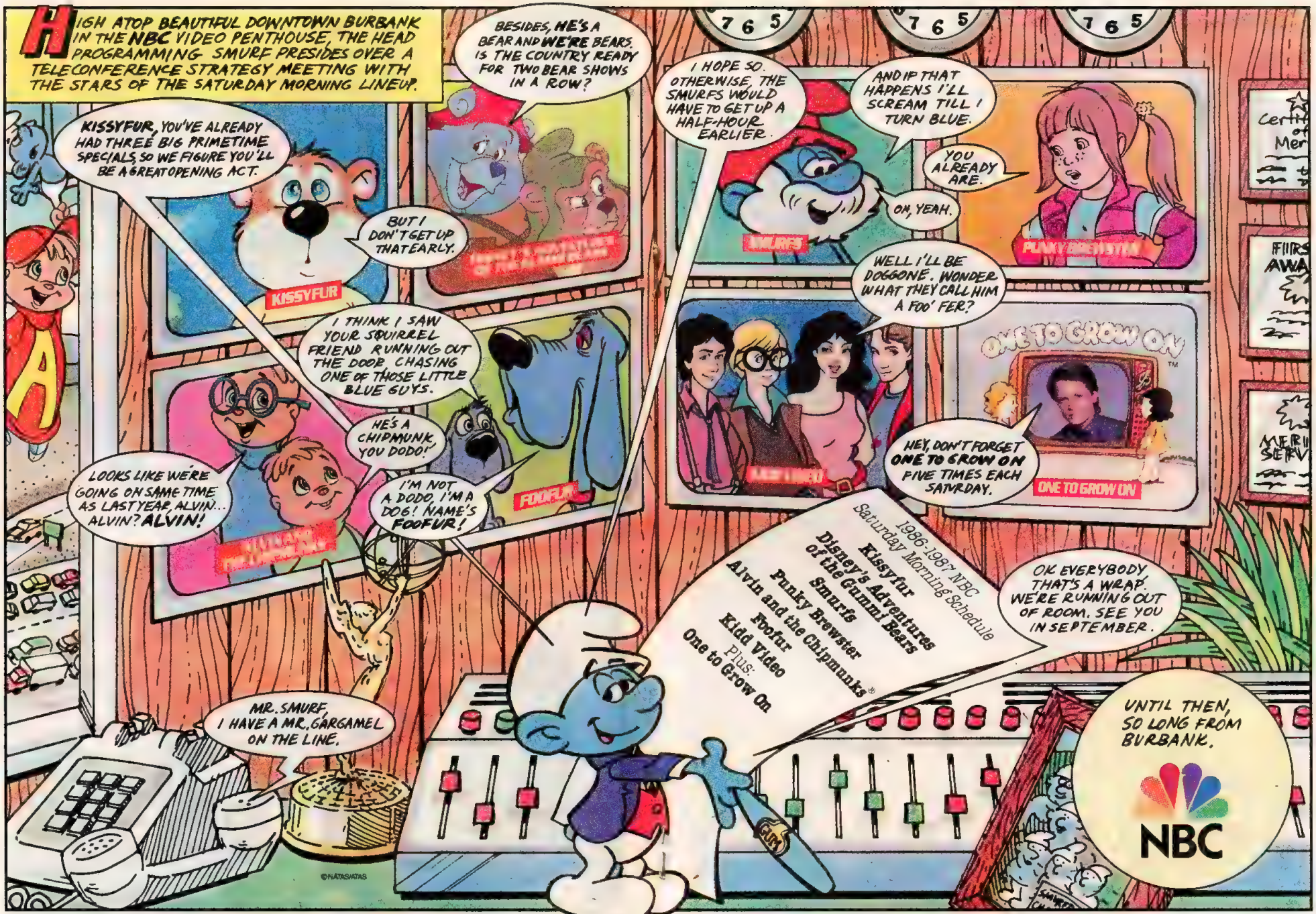

WHY SHOULD I? WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

YOU LITTLE TRAMP, YOU ARE GOING TO TELL HIM EVERY-THING!

I HEARD YOU CAN'T GET GOOD HELP ANY-MORE BUT THIS IS CRAZY. HE'S TOO RUDE DAISY!


YOU LITTLE
RICKY, LOOK OUT! GET AWAY WHILE YOU CAN!

TOO LATE FOR THAT MASTER NORTH. NOW HAND IT OVER..
SORRY PETTISHFORD I'M SAVING IT FOR MARRIAGE.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KISSYFUR
BUT I DON'T GET UP THAT EARLY.
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I HOPE SO. OTHERWISE, THE SMURFS WOULD HAVE TO GET UP A HALF-HOUR EARLIER.
SMURFS
AND IF THAT HAPPENS I'LL SCREAM TILL I TURN BLUE.
YOU ALREADY ARE.
OH, YEAH.
PUNKY BREWSTER
I THINK I SAW YOUR SQUIRREL FRIEND RUNNING OUT THE DOOR, CHASING ONE OF THOSE LITTLE BLUE GUYS.
HE'S A CHIPMUNK, YOU DODO!
I'M NOT A DODO, I'M A DOG! NAME'S FOOFUR!
FOOFUR
LOOKS LIKE WE'RE GOING ON SAME TIME AS LAST YEAR, ALVIN... ALVIN? ALVIN!
ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS
MR. SMURF, I HAVE A MR. GARGAMEL ON THE LINE.
GUN
WELL I'LL BE DOGGONE. WONDER WHAT THEY CALL HIM A FOO' FER?
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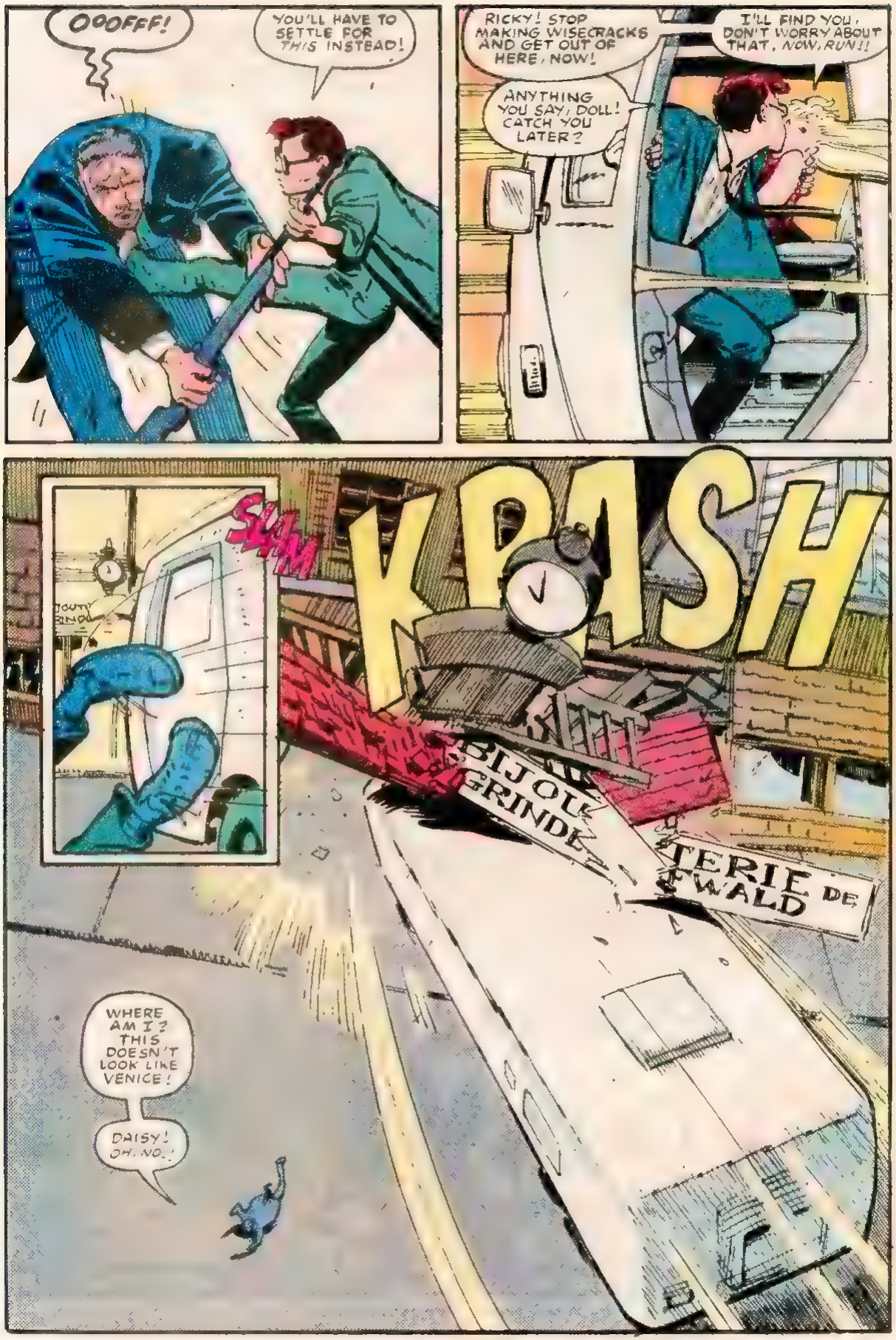
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YOU'LL HAVE TO SETTLE FOR THIS INSTEAD!
RICKY! STOP MAKING WISECRACKS AND GET OUT OF HERE, NOW!
I'LL FIND YOU, DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT. NOW, RUN!!
ANYTHING YOU SAY, DOLL! CATCH YOU LATER?
SLAM
KRASH
BIJOU GRINDL
TERIE DE WALD
WHERE AM I? THIS DOESN'T LOOK LIKE VENICE!
DAISY! OH, NO!

YOU CRAZY-- WHY DON'T YOU WATCH WHERE YOU RE DRIVING??
RUN, RICKY! GET AWAY!
DAISY TAVE! I KNOW YOU FROM MAGAZINES! GRETCHEN, COME SEE!
LATER, IN JOE
SWITZERLAND'S A BIG COUNTRY DAKOTA. WE CAN'T DRIVE UP THERE AND START KNOCKING ON DOORS. WE HAVE TO FIND OUT WHERE THE SUBIN LIVES
I HATE SITTING STILL LIKE THIS. AMOS RICKY COULD BE IN REAL TROUBLE.
GET A PAPER AND READ THE FUNNIES THEN. I'LL TELL YOU IF I FIND ANY-THING ON THIS MAP
AMOS. YOU'RE A GENIUS.

I'LL GO GET THE CAR. BOY, YOU COPS REALLY DO HAVE GREAT INSTINCTS!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
OH, I SEE. GRINDELWALD, EH? I SAW THAT ON THE MAP.
BIJOU GRINDELWALD
UNE PLUNGE D'AUTOBUS
N GRINDELWALD
YES, THIS WILL DO PERFECTLY. THEY WILL SEE THIS PICTURE AND COME RUNNING.
BIJOU GRINDELWALD
UNE PLUN D'AUTOB
I CAN'T WAIT TO MEET THIS DAKOTA THE DAUGHTER OF THE LEGENDARY S J NORTH
I SAW HER BRIEFLY, SHE'S A BEAUTY.
YOU DISAPPOINTED ME, PETTISHFORD. YOU LET THE BOY ESCAPE.
DO YOU KNOW HOW I DEAL WITH FAILURES? THAT CAT ON THE WINDOW-SILL...
...HE HAS NOT CAUGHT A MOUSE IN WEEKS.
THE COOKS FEED HIM TOO WELL. HE IS NOT HUNGRY ENOUGH.
I DO NOT MAKE THAT MISTAKE WITH MY BRUTUS!

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THE FALCON IS TOO PERFECTLY TRAINED AND TOO LOYAL TO FAIL ME. I DEMAND NO LESS OF MY HUMAN MINIONS.
YOU HAVE BOTH GIVEN ME LESS.
MY LORD, SHEIK IBN BHEIK, YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS. PLEASE HAVE MERCY ON ME, IT WAS THIS CHILD..
YOU LAY THE BLAME ON THIS GIRL? YOU SAY IT IS HER FAULT?
YES, YES! SHE TOLD THE BOY!!
HEY, MAN! WHAT ARE YOU DOIN' TO ME??
OOOOH, GROSS!!
BEGGING DISGUSTS ME I WOULD HAVE KILLED HIM FOR THAT ALONE, NOW, YOU MUST GO WITH BAXTER, HERE. CLEO HAS HER OWN NASTY PLANS FOR YOU.
LATER, IN ONE OF THE SHEIK'S LIMOUSINES..
YOU'RE A LUCKY KID, DOLL. I'VE SEEN THE SHEIK SIC THAT BIRD ON BABIES THAT CRIED TOO LOUD.
OF COURSE CLEO VANDERLIP IS NO BED OF ROSES, AND SHE'S WAITING FOR YOU TO GET BACK TO NEW YORK. ANGRY? DON'T ASK!
BACK IN GRINDELWALD...
DAKOTA MUST STILL BE ASLEEP IN NEW YORK. I ... CALL HER IN TWO HOURS AND SEE IF SHE CAN GET ME HOME.
MAYBE SHE WON'T TELL DAD ABOUT MY LITTLE OUTING.

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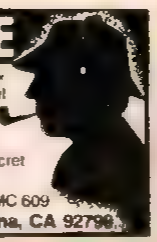

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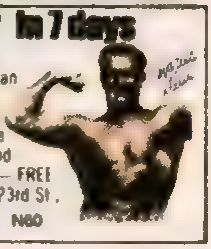

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HOW CONVENIENT
HE STANDS THERE AS IF WAITING FOR ME
WE WILL NOT DISAPPOINT HIM, MY FAITHFUL. HIS BLOOD WILL FLOW BEFORE SUNSET.
IN TOWN
THIS IS THE STORE THAT GOT HIT, DAKOTA. MAYBE THIS GUY SAW RICKY
DID YOU, MONSIEUR? HE'S MY LITTLE BROTHER OUR FATHER IS SO WORRIED!

YES, I SAW THE BOY. HE WALKED AWAY AFTER HE SAW THE GIRL WAS ALL RIGHT. HE WAS GOING THAT WAY.
OUI, THERE HE IS.
THAT'S HIM? YOU GOT GREAT EYES, M'STER!
IN MY BUSINESS, THEY ARE NECESSARY
GOD BLESS YOU, SIR! YOU'RE WONDERFUL.
A FAST RIDE LATER...
SLOW DOWN DAKOTA! HE'S NOT GOING ANYWHERE NOW!
I'M NOT LETTING HIM OUT OF MY SIGHT UNTIL WE GET HOME AMOS
RICKY! DON'T MOVE! THINK IT OVER BEFORE YOU BREATHE!
DAKOTA?! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
ARE YOU OKAY, BABY?? I'VE BEEN SO WORRIED ABOUT YOU!

DON'T YOU EVER RUN OFF LIKE THAT WITHOUT TELLING ME AGAIN! DO YOU KNOW WHAT YOU PUT ME THROUGH THESE PAST TWO DAYS??
HEY!
DAKOTA! COOL IT! YOU WANT TO BRING HIM HOME SAFELY, DON'T YOU?
I'M NOT SURE, AMOS! MAYBE I'LL KILL HIM MYSELF, INSTEAD OF LETTING DAD HAVE ALL THE FUN!
AAK!
C'MON, DAKOTA! GIVE ME A BREAK! THERE WAS THIS GIRL--
TOK
I DON'T WANT TO HEAR IT, RATFACE. SHUT UP, AND YOU MIGHT LIVE TILL WE GET TO THE AIRPORT.
UH-OH THAT LOOKS LIKE THE SHE A DAISY WAS TALKING ABOUT
WHO?
AMOS, TAKE RICKY AND GET OUT OF HERE I'LL DEAL WITH THESE GUYS THEY WON'T FIND YOU IN THE TREES
I CAN'T LEAVE YOU, DAKOTA.
YOU SURE CAN, AMOS. THIS IS WHAT I DO WELL. THE IMPORTANT THING IS TO GET RICKY AND THE PEN OUT OF HERE!

THAT'S RIGHT, YOU GUYS, COME AFTER THE SOFT, WEAK GIRL. I'M THE WEAK LINK IN THIS CHAIN OF COMMAND
POKKETA POKKETA PUKK
OOH, SCARY. I'M SO SCARED I... PROBABLY... TELL YOU ALL THE SECRETS I KNOW
YOU'RE PRETTY BRAVE SITTING UP ON THAT HORSE WITH YOUR GUN. COME ON DOWN.
I DARE YOU.

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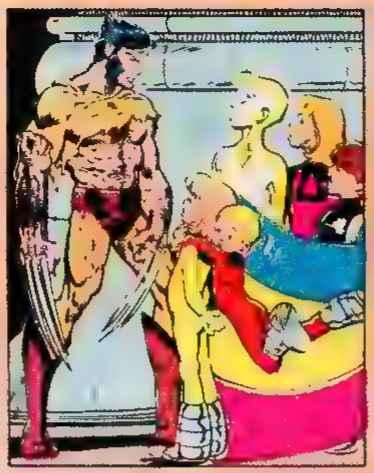

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Jim Shooter
Editor in Chief

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YOU ARE CHARMED TO MEET ME, YES? I AM AWARE MY REPUTATION IS A ROMANTIC ONE TO AMERICAN SCHOOLGIRLS.
YOU'RE THE CREEP AFTER MY BROTHER! HE TOLD ME ALL ABOUT YOU!
OBVIOUSLY, YOUR BROTHER DID NOT WARN YOU SUFFICIENTLY DAKOTA NORTH.

A FEW HOURS LATER...
YOU ARE AWAKE DAKOTA NORTH. GOOD.
I'M QUITE DISPLEASED. I'VE HAD YOU ALL SEARCHED BY EXPERTS AND THE ENTIRE MOUNTAIN COMBED WITH METAL DETECTORS--
YOUR INSUFFERABLE BROTHER REFUSES TO DISCLOSE THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE PEN!
GREAT, RICKY DON'T DO IT!
I'VE ASKED THOSE BIRDS REPEATEDLY NOT TO FOUL THE BIRDBATH.
YOU CAN SEE HOW POORLY I TAKE TO REFUSAL OF MY LITTLE WHIMS.
IF THE SHEIK DOESN'T SEND BRUTUS AFTER DAKOTA, MAYBE SHE WILL HAVE TIME TO ESCAPE AND WE CAN JOIN HER NEXT ISSUE FOR A STORY WE CALL...
CATS AMONG THE PIGEONS!
YOUR STUBBORNESS ANGERS ME! DAKOTA NORTH. YOU SHALL BE THE FIRST TO FEEL MY WRATH!
UH-OH.

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Welcome to the first official Dakota North letter column. Yeah, we're late getting started, but that doesn't mean we don't want to get your letters. And it doesn't mean you haven't been writing—

Dear Jim,
About Dakota North??
More, more, more...

Linda J. Daley
712 E. Montgomery Avenue
North Wales, FL

Dear Marvel,
I just read Dakota North #1. It's great. I love it! This comic has class; it's fun, fast-paced, well drawn, well scripted, humorous and sophisticated. Just one gripe—it's not MONTHLY!

Jeff Mitchell
1579 Grandview Ave. E.
Maplewood, MN

Just think of it as two years for the price of one, Jeff.

Dear P. I. Kinda Guys
Let me tell you, Dakota North Investigations is one of the best comics to come around. Your first story was great, the art was fantastic, the whole thing is awesome. Your characters are the best, especially Dakota. I loved the way you drew her on page 3, panel 6; page 4, panel 2; page 6, panel 4; page 19, panel 1; and so on. The supporting characters are great also. Ricky is a cool kid, while Mad Dog is a killer dude. The action was great, and got even better as the story went along. You go monthly and it will be truly awesome. Got to go, but keep 'em coming.

The Colorado Kid
Vero Beach, FL

P.S. What's Dakota's bike? Hopefully American—Custom made?

Dakota rides an antique BMW (1939) but parts are getting hard to find, so she's trading it in on an American-built Harley!

Dear Martha and Tony,
Just a quick note to say that your work on Dakota North Investigations is excellent. I confess that seeing the "S-T-Y-L-E, Dakota North" ads in various titles made me wonder exactly what this new book would be.

While on a routine comic store run, I saw issue #1 and bought it...And was impressed. If Ms. (or is it Mrs.?) North was a real person, she'd be a *babe*!! And her supporting characters all show signs of becoming interesting in their own right; particularly Ricky, SJ and Mad Dog.

Congratulations on the terrific art and storyline in issue #1, and here's one reader looking forward to a long acquaintance with Ms. North.

Fil Sanders
Rockville, Iceland

If Dakota was *Mrs.* North, she'd be SJ's wife or daughter-in-law. So technically, Ms. North is correct (but you can call her Dakota).

Dear Larry,
I think Dakota North is a terrific comic. It has no super powers. I think comics with no super powers are better than ones with super powers. I especially like Mad Dog and Ricky. How about a cross over with GI JOE? Keep up the good work.

Raj Bal
3443 71 Street
Edmonton, Alta. CANADA

Dear Marvel,
I just got through reading Dakota North #1. It was great. I really loved the story, but I think that was just a little mean of Dakota to flip her brother. Don't you?

I mean, he's young. So tell her to cool it. Anyway, I just wanted to tell you it's going to be a great series. I think I had better buy a couple more issues to tell if I like Dakota herself at all.

Marvel's my favorite!

Scott Smith
Nampa, ID

If you've stuck with our story this far, Scott, you've seen that Ricky hasn't let Dakota push him around. He does pretty much what he wants, when he wants, with whomever he wants.

Dear People,
I don't know how the first issue of Dakota North sold, but I hope it did fairly well so it will be around for a while. Something missing from comics for quite a while is a good crime/detective comic. Dakota North fills the gap well. Interesting story, nice art, an all around entertaining comic. Good luck!

Richard Mayhew
217 Glenn St. #48
Cumberland, MD

Thanks for the good wishes, Richard. We don't know the final sales figures yet, but it wouldn't hurt if you went out and bought a couple dozen more copies.

Dear Larry,
I have an idea for the letters page name. How about Northwords?

Well, now for future suggestions. Being a P.I., Dakota North could investigate drug trafficking and run into Cloak and Dagger. Or maybe investigate the Kingpin and the Rose, and you could come up with a crossover with Spidey and Daredevil.

I found Dakota North very interesting and exciting. Some of my friends thought the art was stupid but I thought it was pretty good. Well, great actually! Everything about this book is good. I'd like to see Tyrone King in this book. He's one bad cop and he and Dakota would be great together. Maybe she could take on a few A.I.M. people.

Joe laBranch
3657 Cienega
29 Palms, CA

Gee, that's funny, Joe. Tony, our artist, always speaks so well of your friends.

Dear Martha, Tony, Jim, Christie, and Larry,
A few comments on the first issue of Dakota North. First off, I'd like to know who came up with this idea. Dakota North doesn't have any superhuman powers, she isn't a mutant and hasn't any fancy, sophisticated gizmos. She's basically a normal person (even though most people don't wear leather jumpsuits or carry handguns).

Credit to you, Ms. Thomases, for a fine, fast-paced action-packed issue. But may I suggest less "Blam blam blam" and more mystery and intrigue? Mr. Salmons has done a fantastic job. Variations of colors by Ms. Scheele in the background are incredible. You've done a fine job on mood setting, which is a hard task.

Oh, and since Dakota has just earned some money, how's about buying her a motorcycle helmet? The motorcycle stunts in 'Bleumies' could have broken her neck.

Since I'm writing this letter, you'll need a letter column, right? So how about "Dakoted Messages"? See you in two months.

Steve Riley

Riding without a helmet in New York City gets you a ticket. In this case, Dakota decided it was worth the risk to catch Luke and his kidnapers.

(And in Dakota's neighborhood, lots of people do wear leather jumpsuits.)

Dear Marvel,
Last week I bought the first issue of Dakota North, and every day since that day I have read it over and over. I must say this is the best comic I have ever read. It's absolutely FABULOUS! I have never read a comic book this great.

BUT (don't be afraid of that word) I would simply be in stitches if I had to wait bi-monthly all of the time for the next issue. I've just got to have it every month.

Also, I would like to know if Cleo Vandertip is a double-agent, and is SJ one of the bad guys? Or will I find this out in the next issue?

Since there isn't a letter page yet, I have some ideas from myself and others. Please take into consideration: Dakota Line; Manhattan News; Dakota Deadline; Dakota's Den; and Dakota's Investigations.

Dionne McClean
Toronto, CANADA

Cleo isn't a double-agent, Dionne. she's in this for her own, personal gain, and politics has nothing to do with it. And S.J.? He's Dakota's dad.

Dear Larry and crew,
Your Dakota North series is excellent. After reading only two issues, it's become my favorite comic. It also has great sentimental value since issue #1 was my 300th comic. Ricky is a great character and you should never get rid of him. I have given Dakota North so much thought that I have developed a letter page name based on the following points:

1. Fashion is a major factor in Dakota North.
2. Letters pages are designed to let readers give statements on a certain comic.

So, the logical name would be: Fashion Statements!

If you use that name for your letters page, I'll only ask for one small No-Prize. Please!

Brad Alexander
303 Benesh
Saskatoon, Sask, CANADA

Sounds good to us, Brad.

That does it for this issue, folks. More letters next issue. And, oh yes, a story too. You saw Amos make his big play for Dakota this time. Next issue, find out if she noticed. And if they live long enough for it to make any difference.

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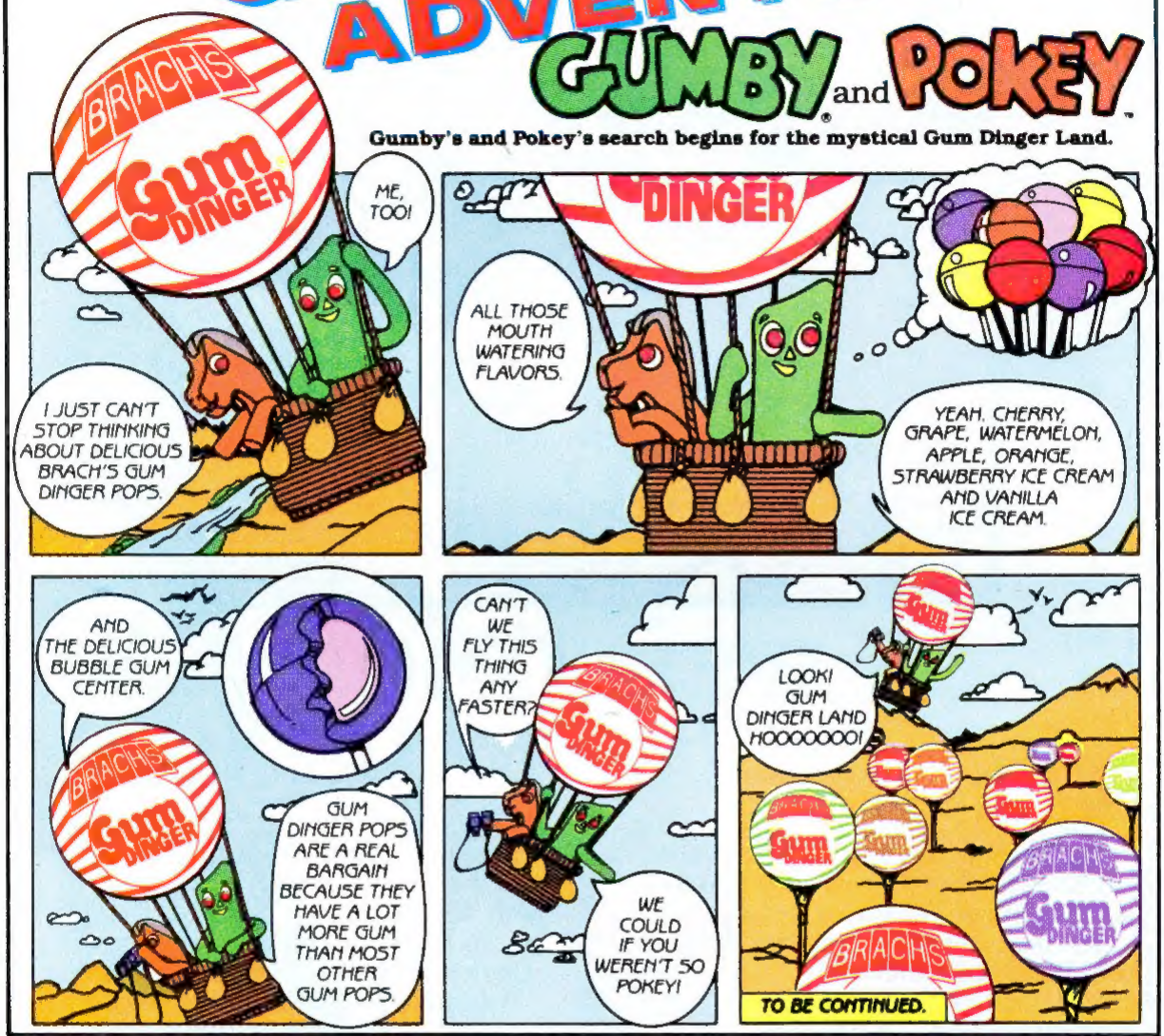
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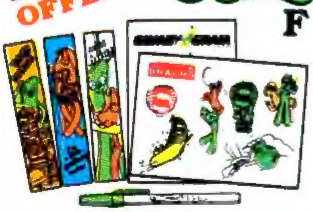

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